

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : SAC, SAN DIEGO (100-12461)

DATE: 4/24/69

FROM :

SA [REDACTED]

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On 3/5/69 [REDACTED] was contacted by SA [REDACTED] at which time informant furnished the following information. Informant advised he had no further information in his possession at this time.

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The Birch Society operates two full-time bookstores in San Diego County. The Society itself seems to be more active and there is more cooperation between the Society and Minutemen. This is also true of the San Diego Patriotic Society which numbers between 2500 and 300 names on its mailing list.

[redacted] is opposed to immorality in any form and therefore it is not likely that pornography in the San Diego area would be connected with [redacted] or with his Minutemen Group. If the Minutemen are responsible for any pornography it probably coming from the Los Angeles, California, area.

The following is a list of Minutemen and suspected Minutemen. A question mark in front of the name means it is not known whether the person is a Minutemen:

[redacted]
El Cajon, California
telephone [redacted]

He is a neo-Nazi and is a [redacted] under [redacted] He is good and fast and holds the Brown Belt;

[redacted]
Lives in El Cajon and is a close friend of [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted]
He is [redacted] TACT
Committee and works for the [redacted]

[redacted]
[redacted]
telephone [redacted]
He owns an M-1 Carbine;

[redacted]
Ramona, California
Telephone [redacted]
He also has an M-1 Carbine;

[redacted]
Lives on [redacted]
Carlsbad, California
Telephone [redacted]
and is the local MM leader.
He owns a number of firearms;

[redacted]
Telephone [redacted]
He owns several firearms;

[redacted]
Pacific Beach
Home telephone [redacted]
Business phone [redacted]
He has several firearms and
thousands of rounds of ammunition;

[redacted]
Drives a green 1956 Chevrolet pickup;

[redacted]
Student at [redacted]
and wears a full beard;

[redacted]
Escondido, California
A neo-Nazi;

[redacted]
San Diego, California
Owns several weapons;

[redacted]
[redacted]
Lakeside, California
Telephone [redacted]
He owns many firearms including
a 50 Caliber Machine gun
and a Boys anti-tank rifle;

[redacted]
La Mesa, California
Telephone [redacted]
[redacted] is close to [redacted]
He works for the [redacted]
and owns several firearms;

[redacted]
[redacted]
telephone [redacted]

[redacted]
Ramona, California;

[redacted]
Probably the number 2 man
in [redacted] group;

[redacted]
San Diego, California;

[redacted]
El Cajon, California
Telephone number [redacted]
He owns the [redacted] in about
the [redacted] A man named [redacted]
[redacted] is his partner;

[redacted]
He owns a ball mill for making
gun powder;

[redacted]
Lakeside, California;
Telephone [redacted]
A friend of [redacted] and
works for the [redacted]

[redacted]
Telephone [redacted]
He is a friend of many Minutemen
and owns a number of firearms;

[redacted]
Is son of [redacted]

[redacted]
He is kind of a nut;

[redacted]
Telephone number [redacted]
He is a [redacted] at Lakeside,
California. He is also a
neo-Nazi and LINCOLN ROCKWELL
is his hero;

[redacted]
Telephone [redacted]

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Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

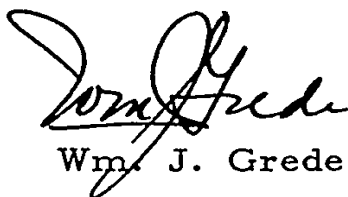
To The Same Reader:

We unanimously approve this bulletin, and endorse the appeal which it contains.

We hope that every member of The John Birch Society and every other patriotic American, who has an opportunity to read this presentation of the danger which we face and of what should be done about it, will do his part in the rising crusade that is called for by these pages.

Sincerely,

The Executive Committee of The John Birch Society

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Wm. J. Grede', is written over a horizontal line.

Wm. J. Grede, Chairman

Laurence E. Bunker
Robert H. Montgomery

A. G. Heinsohn, Jr.
Robert W. Stoddard

THIS IS IT!

Dear and (maybe) Gentle Reader:

Let's try to put the whole story in a nutshell.

For we cannot help wondering if even the members of The John Birch Society have fully grasped what is now taking place right before their eyes. Or what must be done about it.

This review will be as concise as we can make it. We shall draw freely from earlier essays, even as to phrasing, in order to assemble for you a general picture from its more specific parts. And we shall not stop for "documentation," because in many cases it would take ten pages of printed copy to substantiate half a line of our exposition. But every point in this survey can be proved with enough space and time.

I. SOME PLAIN FACTS TO FRIGHTEN YOU

A. Looking Abroad.

Our government continuously sends vast quantities of wheat to Soviet Russia and its satellites, to help to maintain these Communist regimes in power by preventing the massive revolts of starving people.

This wheat is used to feed the workers in the Communist arma-

ment factories, especially in such satellites as Poland. In fact some of the wheat for this purpose is unloaded from ships on one side of Stettin harbor in Poland, at the same time that the guns made by these workers are being loaded onto other ships on the other side of the harbor. These other ships are bound for North Vietnam with the weapons to kill our boys.

We ship the wheat to these Communist regimes on "credit," with no expectation of being paid. In fact, our President recently "scaled down" Polish indebtedness to the United States by thirty million dollars within the very same month that Poland agreed to supply our enemy, North Vietnam, approximately thirty million dollars in money and materials.

The ships carrying these weapons to Haiphong in North Vietnam fly the Communist flag. But they are mostly *our* ships, on loan to Soviet Russia. When they arrive in Haiphong our pilots are forbidden to bomb them, so that the war material for our enemies can be safely and peacefully unloaded.

Our pilots are required to fly their dangerous missions, over prescribed routes known in advance to the enemy, with only ten percent to twenty-five percent of the effective

bomb load which their planes could carry. Even then — as our Communist enemies in Hanoi have openly boasted — our pilots are forbidden to strike at strategically important goals, but must confine their bombing to designated targets of an incredibly trivial nature.

Despite our nation being by far the most productive on earth, our ground troops must fight with inadequate equipment, and even inadequate ammunition. They are forbidden to fire on an attacking enemy until the enemy has fired first. As fast as they clean the Communists out of any area, they are required to withdraw and thus allow the Communists to return and take it over again. The whole war is simply a stage-managed show, in which our sons are being maimed and killed and captured to serve the disguised purposes of a worldwide conspiracy.

The war is being “escalated” as rapidly as *our government* can arrange for the Communists on the other side, *through our help*, to have sufficient supplies to make the opposition and the fighting look plausible. Manpower means nothing to the Communists. Their supply in eastern Asia is utterly unlimited. But military equipment is a different matter. And Washington right now has U.S. Army Engineers helping the Soviets to build a massive highway from Afghanistan to Indochina, so that supplies can then also be sent overland from Soviet Russia to our enemies in southeast Asia, instead of practically all of these supplies having to go by ship to Haiphong as at present. For the Communist bosses

on both sides know that this war must be carried on a great deal longer, and made a great deal larger, to bring about the results for which it was planned.

In the meantime, General Westmoreland obligingly asks for more troops. Secretary McNamara announces that forty-six thousand more are being sent at once. Ambassador Ellsworth Bunker says: “I believe we are gradually achieving our aims.” And President Johnson himself has officially defined those aims as *a peace which will be pleasing to our Communist enemies*.

B. And At Home.

Since 1960 the *non-defense expenditures* of our federal government have just about exactly doubled. There is no expectation nor likelihood of a balanced budget within the foreseeable future. Our *actual* national indebtedness today, instead of the officially and dishonestly defined national debt, is well over a thousand billion dollars.

While pretending to oppose inflation, our government is deliberately promoting inflation. It continues to increase both taxes and spending in a parabolic upward curve. Our gold reserve is gone, our balance of payments position is extremely unfavorable, and Washington goes right on enlarging the supply of money which has no visible means of support. All of this is exactly in accord with Communist strategy.

A great deal of this extra money is used to finance such programs as the

"War On Poverty," which actively *promotes revolution*. In fact, this federal bureau was specifically warned that the activities of its agents in the Newark, New Jersey area were going to bring on racial riots. This was well before the riots actually occurred. In Nashville, Tennessee, there is a school that teaches "unadulterated hatred" by Negroes of all whites. It is run by the so-called Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, one of the leading fomenters of race riots in the United States. The actual director of that school is a full-time paid employee of the federal government's Office of Economic Opportunity. And these are but tiny samples of what the Administration is doing on a very extensive scale, to help the agitators create their riots and their pretenses to revolution.

There are now forty-two million persons receiving regular checks from the federal government — either directly, or from the states under aid programs financed largely with federal government funds. Resistance to the encroaching tyranny of a central government is daily made more difficult for an ever larger percentage of the American people. For it holds as true between man and government as between man and man that "he who eats another's bread must do that other's will."

The number of civilian employees of the federal government has increased twenty-five percent under Kennedy and Johnson. It is now being steadily further increased at an average rate of *more than seventy thousand per month!* Most of this added personnel, and the new or en-

larged bureaus to which they belong, are visibly working to promote or carry out various parts of the Communist program — even though only a few of the rank-and-file workers fully realize how they are being used.

The federal government now has a stranglehold on the ideological direction of practically all education in the United States. A few months ago Attorney General Ramsey Clark openly boasted that the government had the power through its subsidization of schools, and would use that power if necessary, to reassign teachers in public schools where there is any reason to believe that "racial allocation of faculty" denies to students "equality of educational opportunity." And if some bureaucrat of the federal government, not liking the patriotic slant given to American history by some teacher in Podunk High School, orders that teacher reassigned to some kindergarten sandlot, who can name or prove the real reason for the transfer? Or for the pressures to make such teachers follow the Communist line?

The federal government, with the same kind of grants and subsidies as used in education, is now insidiously but rapidly moving into control of our local police forces all over the United States. The effort to undermine, destroy, and eventually replace these local police forces, through the effect of such Communist-planned harassment as civilian police review boards, and of Communist inspired charges of "police brutality," was stymied by the efforts of The John Birch Society and its *Support Your Local Police* campaign. The present

move to the same end is far more subtle, and could quickly become more fatal.

The crime rate, especially in our cities, is now soaring so rapidly that the complete anarchy and chaos which the Communists need are imminent. This massive lawlessness is being constantly encouraged by decisions of the federal courts, actions of federal agents, and official measures of our federal government — all fully supported in many areas by the actions of state and local officials.

The use of drugs, including LSD, is growing by leaps and bounds. The breakdown of morality, elimination of marriage and of family loyalties, destruction of all sense of values in the arts, and perversion of all organized religion are proceeding at an accelerating pace all around us. And these things are not just happening. They have been brought about, and are now being speeded up, by Communist conspiratorial activities which have been at work on these developments for decades.

The racial violence in our cities is fomented, organized, and conducted by Communist agitators, who are automatically parts of one giant conspiratorial movement by the very fact of their being Communists. The very plans and methods being followed by these agitators have been laid out in Communist literature and taught in Communist training schools since at least 1928. But almost every agency of the federal government — as well as CBS and a major part of all other news media — are continuously issuing vast quantities

of propaganda to the effect that the riots are spontaneous uprisings, due to poverty and disease and “discrimination” and other legitimate complaints. And that the only way to *prevent* future riots is to spend tens of billions or even hundreds of billions of dollars in improving the living conditions of the minority groups. Which is the exact Communist line, and as one hundred percent false as is the whole “hungry belly” theory of Communism.

The truth is that the American Negroes now have a larger percentage of their number in college than any nation on earth outside of the United States as a whole. They have far more churches for their dominant religion (Protestant Christian), in proportion to their population, than any nation except the United States as a whole. The Negro households of America own from 35% to 38% of the homes they live in, which is certainly one of the highest percentages in the world. In the total ownership of automobiles and radios and television sets and bathtubs and washing machines and other ready indicators of the material standard of living, the Negro population of America, with only twenty million people, stands very near the top in comparison with the 120 nations of the world, regardless of their size. The claim that these riots are the natural result of resentment caused by Negro living conditions is a typical *Big Lie* of Communist strategy. And the greatest promoter and supporter of this Communist *Big Lie* by far is our federal government.

Exactly contrary to what the Ameri-

can people have been led to believe about huge troublesome surpluses, our food supply in this country is so far depleted that actual famine conditions are imminent. We are now the largest *importers* of beef in the world. A normally prudent supply of wheat on hand in the silos and warehouses of America is considered to be sixty percent of a year's crop. With the crop now running around a billion and a half bushels per year, that reserve would be nine hundred million bushels. Six hundred million bushels has long been considered the absolute minimum for safety. Today the total stock of wheat on hand in the United States is hovering around three hundred million bushels — and our government goes right on shipping huge quantities of wheat to Communist regimes all over the world. The need for ration cards in order to obtain food, and the control over ration cards as a means of coercing into submission the heads of hungry families who might otherwise resist, has long been a standard weapon of Communist suppression. We are being headed, *by our own government*, straight for that condition.

Our government claims the right, and high officials exercise the practice, of lying to the American people. As a typical example, McNamara issues statements that are full of deliberate falsehoods. They are then shown to be falsehoods. So McNamara "explains," and then issues new statements just as full of falsehoods as the old ones. Others do the same, and almost invariably the falsehoods are in tune with the current Communist propaganda line, or are designed

to serve the needs of the Communist program.

Finally, in this section, let us reassert, with reluctance and regret but with complete assurance, that Communists now are, and for several years have been, in full working control of our *federal government*. If you will make for yourself a list of what you consider to be the hundred top men in appointive positions in that government, and study both the actions and the records of each one, you may come out with very few whom you can identify as Communists. But you will also come out with very few who are not actively and visibly supporting the Communist program. And it is not *how many* Communists there are on the government payroll, but *where* they are, that counts.

II. LET'S PAUSE FOR SOME BACKGROUND

To understand what is really happening, it becomes more and more necessary to realize that the Communist movement itself is but one weapon, or a huge front, of a conspiratorial clique above it. For the sake of as much simplicity as can be provided in discussing so purposely confusing, deceptive and complex an operation, we have called the top command of this two-hundred-year-old conspiracy the INSIDERS. We have no intention here of going in any detail into so esoteric a subject as the history, or even the changing morphology, over the past two hundred years, of this self-perpetuating diabolic organization. But we do need to take a few paragraphs to

summarize its ultimate purposes and unchanging methods.

Those purposes, however unbelievable to the ordinary decent human being, and thus however successfully kept hidden because of the very immensity of the evil and the horror which they involve, can be clearly determined, by any sufficiently objective student, from the literature and the facts that are available. Despite all of the people who have been murdered to keep this secret whole, the essential elements of the conspiracy are now well and widely known: It has been the unwavering aim of these INSIDERS, under whatever names they may have called themselves or some of their divisions during various decades of the past two centuries, to carry out the following satanic plan.

1. To draw into their inner circle the most desirable prospects from the very top financial, economic, social, and political circles of their respective countries; and gradually to admit into this inner circle those coming up from below with sufficient ambition, cunning, ruthlessness, and lack of moral scruples to make them suitable members of the club.

2. To have all members of the organization, including those in the various echelons below the top who understood only in lesser degrees the total conspiracy and total game of which they were becoming a part, promote each other cleverly and unceasingly, at all times and by all practicable means, into ever higher positions of prestige, wealth, and power. And at the same time to see

that all enemies of the INSIDERS were discredited, pushed aside, demoralized, and — if dangerous to the conspiracy — destroyed.

3. To hold together by ruthless discipline the INSIDERS themselves, and the vast conspiratorial organization which could be built under their hidden command, in support of one unchanging, incredible, objective: Namely, to establish their rule of steel over the whole earth and all the people on it. (It might be an interesting question as to how much of this whole picture Dzhugashvili had already grasped when he chose the Russian word, *stalín*, meaning *steel*, as a name for himself.)

4. To make this goal of world rulership possible by the following fantastically evil, ruthlessly realistic, and majestically patient program. (a) To destroy *all* religion, and replace it with the worship of something called "reason." (b) To destroy *all* existing governments, and replace them with ruthless agencies of the conspiracy. (c) To destroy the family, and have all children become wards of the state, trained and educated by the state to become its willing slaves. (d) To destroy all existing human institutions, and replace them, if at all, with organizations which served solely the needs or purposes of the conspirators. As in the case of both religious bodies and governments, this destruction was to be accomplished almost entirely by infiltration, and a patient gradualism in acquiring the power to destroy. (e) To wipe out all economic systems permitting or depending on any rights of individuals, or responsibility of the individual for his own

material welfare, and to replace them with the collectivist system of the ants and other insects. (f) To destroy *all* morality, *all* human tradition, and all of man's historic sense of values, replacing them with a hedonistic pragmatism as the basis of all human philosophy. (g) To destroy, and exactly reverse, all of man's sociological, political, and religious ideals; with "equality" replacing "success" as the theme of man's thought, force replacing law as the most desirable means of government, and hatred replacing love as the great motivating force in man's relations with his fellow men. (h) And on the chaos, confusion, suffering and despair thus created to erect for themselves a "new order"—the "New Deal" and various similar names in this and many other countries were all selected and used because of their relationship to this plan — in which the hierarchy of INSIDERS would be superior and all-powerful, and only their millions of administrative minions would have any rights and any privileges among the billions of once human beings on the face of the earth.

You need only to look around you, and study honestly the history of the last few decades in this and other countries, to see how rapidly every part of this program is now being carried out. Most of the activists carrying it out are simply Communists. It is neither necessary nor important for any of us to decide which of them — or which highly placed criminals who never have had a Communist card nor even seen a Communist cell — might belong to the upper and inner circle that we call the INSIDERS. For practical

purposes we shall usually refer to the motive power of the movement as the Communist conspiracy. But a deeper understanding of the total plot will make many puzzling developments easier to follow. And with the above small amount of extremely condensed background in mind, we can look with clearer insight into the matters of our most immediate concern.

III. THE TWO MAIN PLANKS OF CURRENT COMMUNIST STRATEGY

Since 1945 one Administration in Washington after another has been helping the Communists — has, in fact, been the strongest single force in enabling the Communists — to impose their tyranny on one country after another. The record is clear and conclusive for anybody who wishes to study it.

Albania, Bulgaria, Yugoslavia, Poland, Roumania, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, East Germany, China, North Korea, Mongolia, Manchuria, Tibet, North Vietnam, Indonesia, Ghana, the Congo, Cuba, and many more; the list goes on and on. But now these same forces in Washington, aided by their partners in the high command of the conspiracy all over the world, are visibly moving towards the final imposition of the same brutal tyranny on the *American* people.

The State Department and other agencies of our federal government—which we should now begin to call, more accurately, our central government — can give you long, involved,

phony answers, full of doubletalk, to explain every item we have listed above. These excuses and arguments would be varied to fit each situation. But one simple, although horrible, explanation will cover them all. It is that they all fit smoothly into Communist strategy or Communist tactics for wiping out the United States of America as an independent nation, and bringing its people under the brutal tyranny of a Communist one-world government. Let's look briefly at the two major lines of that brilliantly planned advance.

A. The Vietnam War As Part Of The Communist Design.

For more than a hundred years it has been a vital part of Communist longrange planning to bring about wars in which they could influence or even control both sides. Not only do the INSIDERS thus profit from the war itself, in the power and money and prestige they can acquire, and in the plans they can set in motion to help their schemes for the future; but they gain immensely more, in their dark tally of accomplishments, from the chaos and bitterness and suffering which the war inevitably leaves in its wake. The record is quite clear, to anybody who dares study it objectively, that both World War I and World War II were deliberately contrived and foisted on mankind by these INSIDERS and their agents, as simply huge steps to increased power and progress for themselves and their Communist front.

But it is revealing and frightening that the present World War III,

which has been incubated in Vietnam, is actually being *conducted* on both sides by the Communists — openly so, for anybody who will look honestly at the whole raw performance. For this shows how closely the INSIDERS now feel they are approaching total and final victory, in their long overall plot to rule the world. And since 1964 we have been pointing out the obvious role of the Vietnam War in the last stage of this gigantic game. Our analysis and projection come out roughly as follows.

1. The Administration in Washington has no slightest intention or desire to win this war, or to end it, but only to make it larger and longer, and a more overwhelming obsession in the minds of the American people. Any truces in the foreseeable future, like those of the past, will be for one or both of two purposes: (a) To enable the Communists to reorganize their forces and catch up on their supply problems; or (b), for political reasons and purposes within the United States. All the motions and statements indicating a search for peace are simply a part of the grand deception.

2. The Soviet Union has no more interest in winning this war than does the controlling clique in the American government. Both want simply to keep it going, and growing, to serve other purposes. The most serious difficulty in making it a realistic show, and hence the limiting factor on the speed of escalation, is the problem of getting adequate supplies to Ho chi Minh's forces. The Red Chinese will come in *officially* at the right psychological moment in

this Communist game.

3. The United States is actually paying the bills and supplying the war materials, directly or indirectly, for both sides of this war. American boys are daily being killed in Vietnam by Soviet bullets fired from Soviet guns. But without the subsidization by our government of the Soviets and satellite regimes, the Communists could not have manufactured and delivered either the guns or the bullets.

4. To keep the show even superficially plausible, the American armed services are obliged to carry on this war under the most difficult possible circumstances — geographical, physical, political, and military — that could have been contrived against them anywhere in the world. It took three successive Administrations, and all the cunning genius of Henry Cabot Lodge, to set the stage in this respect. Then, even under these circumstances, our men are compelled to fight with far greater handicaps and restrictions imposed on them than in the Korean War. These restrictions will only be removed spottily, to step up the war and increase its heat, as the other side becomes enabled by adequate equipment to fight back with immensely larger forces.

5. The ultimate purpose of the INSIDERS who are running the show and pulling the strings, at the end of which both Moscow and Washington are being manipulated like a couple of puppets, is gradually to convert the Vietnam affair — perhaps with the addition of similar acts

in other circus rings elsewhere on the globe — into a *full-scale* Third World War. It was twenty-five years from 1914 to 1939, and twenty-five years from 1939 to 1964. This crowd figures that twenty-five years between the wars it arranges is about right, to allow a new generation to grow up and an older one to forget.

The Soviets, after having lined up all the props and made all of the preparations for the Red Chinese, and while still directing the actors and the action on the Communist side of the war from behind the scenes, will gradually turn ostensible management of that side over to Peking. Simultaneously the Soviets will increase their pretense of having broken with the Red Chinese; will let it be known that they disapprove of such a belligerent attitude; and will increasingly nestle up to the United States as our would-be friends and allies.

Parallel to these developments will be the immense and growing dissatisfaction with the war here at home. A bitter division over the war will be sparked by the Communist-inspired peaceniks and intellectuals, fully supported by "religious" groups and leaders of every denomination and variety. Then the tens of thousands of American boys being killed or maimed or captured every month; the confiscatory taxes and tyrannical controls being enforced on the American people with the war as an excuse; the further loss of religion and ideals, of morality and self-reliance; the grief and helplessness and dissension and despair prevalent everywhere; a growing sense of resigna-

tion to the inevitable; these combined and carefully nurtured pressures and frustrations will finally make the American people ready, and our nation ripe, to fall like rotten fruit into Communist hands. And at the proper point the Soviets — using their supposed influence with ourselves as “friendly enemies,” and with the Red Chinese as “hostile friends” — will lead us all, including themselves, into Communist-style peace under the one-world Communist government of the United Nations.

In my opinion the blueprint for this whole operation has been drawn, even as to many of its details, at least since 1953. And a great deal of the history of the Far East during the past fifteen years has fitted very snugly into this strategic plan.

B. “Civil Rights” As A Parallel Prong Of The Communist Design.

The place of the “civil rights” movement in the Communist drive to take over the United States has been clear since 1928. All of the present developments were projected in Communist pamphlets of instruction issued in 1928 and 1934, and reaffirmed by numerous official meetings and publications since. The Negroes were to be considered as an *oppressed colonial* people. They were to be agitated, propagandized, frightened, and coerced into an increasing appearance of at least tacit support for the riots created and conducted by professional revolutionaries — and for the still more “revolutionary” developments which were then to follow.

Every facet of the anti-colonialism formula was to be applied. In Dutch Indonesia, in French Algeria, in the Belgian Congo, in English Canada, in a score of other countries, every natural division of color, race, language, or religion has been exploited, along with every conceivable or imaginary grievance, to create bitterness and supply the basis of raucous demands for “liberation” and “freedom and independence.” These demands begin with riots, which are gradually made more frequent, more extensive, more murderous, and more destructive, until their total continuing impact can be given the pretense and semblance of civil war.

In the United States that latter stage is now beginning to take shape. The agitators, supported by ready voices in our governmental circles, are beginning to refer to their activities not as riots but as “civil-guerrilla warfare.” One effect you can expect in due course is as follows. A criminal, engaged during a riot in organized *systematic* looting, is caught in the very act of killing a policeman who was trying to stop him. But he and his lawyers, and an increasing part of the Liberal press of America, will demand that he be considered, not as a criminal at all, but as a “prisoner of war.”

Of course, so the admission will run, he was not in uniform, because these noble revolutionaries fighting for “freedom” could not yet afford to appear in uniform. But, the claim will be, he was part of an “army,” nevertheless, engaged in the “guerilla activities” of a “civil war,” even to the seizing of supplies from the

enemy and destruction of enemy property, in the only way that was open to him and his compatriots. Consequently he is no more guilty of murder than any other soldier who kills an enemy in battle.

As a more comprehensive aspect of this development, the Communists will demand that their rioting gangs be given the status of an "army of national liberation," with some "provisional government" of a Negro Soviet Republic soon demanding "recognition" and "negotiations." Whether or not they will actually follow through, in trying to set up such a "liberated" separate nation within the present boundaries of the United States, or will merely use that uncompleted drive for its help in taking over the whole country, we have no idea, because the Communists themselves have wavered back and forth on that point since the middle 1950's. But in the meantime the pretense of a "revolution" for "freedom" on the part of the Negroes — even though ninety percent of the American Negroes want no more to do with it than did ninety percent of the Moslem Arabs in Algeria — will have served many vital Communist purposes.

It will be an excuse for the establishment of a *national* police force, responsible only to the central government in Washington. This national gendarmerie will be so handled as to allow the riots plenty of time to get well under way before proper measures are taken to stop them. And if this "police force" consists primarily, in actual practice, of army detachments, the procedure will

greatly aid the claim of the agitators that they are not engaged in rioting, but in fighting a *war* against an *army*.

There will follow an increasingly widespread destruction of property; a constant repetition of more numerous murders; the breakdown of civil law and of normal police protection; the recurrent establishment of curfews and of martial law; the constant fear of attacks and of vandalism; the confusing maze of hatreds engendered; the gradual realization that our government is actually on the side of the "revolutionaries"; and the planted but growing demands that a United Nations police force be "requested" and brought in to restore peace on American soil. Most of these measures have been rehearsed by the Communists in a score of countries they have taken over before getting to ours. Only the great role of the United Nations in the final act of the play will be relatively new.

All of these pressures will simply combine with those developed by the "outside" war to help in producing the same result. So let us merely repeat: The bitterness and grief and frustrations and despair will make the American people as ready as an overripe plum to fall into Communist hands, by coming in under the United Nations umbrella of "peace and security." And the Communist one-world tyranny will be firmly established.

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It's not a pleasant prospect. And you may not like to have all of these terrible things said out loud, or put in print. Maybe you have not wanted to face the actual facts. But, my good

friends and fellow Americans, you had better face them, *squarely*, and *honestly*, and *now*! You are within five years of a forced labor compound, or worse. And you are within two years of having all normal rights and means to oppose this oncoming tyranny taken completely out of your hands! Unless — and that's what the last half of this bulletin is all about.

IV. BUT IT DOESN'T HAVE TO HAPPEN!

The John Birch Society cannot stop it. But the role that The John Birch Society can play in helping to stop it is so important that the Communists are acting as if they thought we could do it all alone. And we certainly intend to do our part.

Actually two gigantic and parallel efforts are required to prevent the Communists from taking over our country. One is education, the other is political action. The first is absolutely necessary to make the second successful. Both are now of tremendous urgency — *and both can be carried out on an adequate scale between now and November, 1968*. But not — as we have been shouting continuously since The John Birch Society was founded — by halfway measures. And we believe that, at long last, enough people may be starting to listen.

Political action is not our function. The John Birch Society does not support, endorse, or contribute to, any candidate of any party for any office. But we are vitally interested, so we know a little bit about what is going on. And it is our belief that 1968 will

not only see a large number of true and able anti-Communists running for office at all levels — *including the Presidency* — but that a sufficient number of these candidates *can* be elected to slow down the Communist advance, to establish a substantial beachhead of solid political opposition, and thus to begin the turning of the tide. But there is not a chance of this vital reprieve unless a massive enough educational campaign is carried on to create understanding on the part of the public of what is at stake. And that part *is* our job.

Our potential in this undertaking can be judged in part by the way it has visibly frightened our enemies. For years they have engaged in cumulative attacks on us of every conceivable variety. Their smearing operations have been so vicious, so insidious, so extensive, and so continuous, that they have had considerable success in neutralizing us, isolating us, and in stopping people from joining the Society or even reading our literature. You might think that now they could practically forget all about us. Instead they are promoting at the present time the most massive, expensive, fully organized, and malicious campaign to damage and destroy us that we have ever faced. So please bear with us for a look at that side of the coin, before we turn it over.

A. Communist Attacks On The John Birch Society.

Please recall Lenin's dictum that Communism must be advanced largely by non-Communist hands. It is followed so skillfully in practice, and

the Communists are so adept at getting others to spread their lies and do their dirty work for them, that they need only three percent of any population in order to be able to fasten the chains of their tyranny on the other ninety-seven percent. So we never know how small a fraction of those attacking us at any time or in any manner may actually be Communists. But the fact that Communist hands and planning are behind practically all of these attacks has been made too clear for argument by the Communists themselves. So we have cut through the camouflage in the heading for this section, as we shall in examining some of the activities.

During 1966 Walter Reuther's COPE put out a folder of six pages, 8½ inches by 11 inches, beautifully printed in two colors, attacking The John Birch Society in particular (first two pages) and the "right wing" in general (the other four pages). At least several hundred thousand copies of this folder must have been distributed by COPE, for complete strangers to the organization had no trouble whatsoever in getting several thousand copies each, free and postage paid, simply on request. And the essence of this same attack was also carried in various periodicals of the AFL-CIO press, some of them with a regular circulation of several hundred thousand copies. Altogether the distribution of this Reuther smear must have reached into the millions.

During 1966, with an estimated one thousand items per day appearing about us in the American press (including weeklies and magazines as well as the daily papers), the total

of falsehoods, libels, and derogatory statements about us, scattered through all of this publicity, combined to form a continuous vilification of huge proportions. A similar stream of vituperation against the Society poured forth from the television and radio networks, and from the pulpits of "Liberal" clergymen; in the public statements of scores of left-wing Senators, Congressmen, and other politicians; and even in the textbooks being used in American schools and colleges. The "guide lines" for these attacks were, in general, supplied by the official Communist press. The total smear was probably the most extensive ever turned on against any group in American history. And yet, of all the charges made against us, the only single "crime" of which we were "guilty" was unwavering opposition to Communism.

Deserving special mention among these anti-anti-Communist enemies of the Society is the Anti-Defamation League. All Americans, and particularly all Jewish Americans, should realize that the ADL is as completely false to the best interests of the Jewish community of America as is the pro-Communist Methodist Federation for Social Action to the great body of Methodists in our country. (We have nearly a thousand very courageous Jewish members of The John Birch Society who completely support that view.) And it can be shown beyond all doubt that the ADL has played the chief role in this country for thirty years, usually behind the scenes, in destroying leading anti-Communists or driving them from public life. Lindbergh, Martin Dies, and Joseph McCarthy were all victims of the

vicious power and purpose of the Anti-Defamation League.

Now, in our case, the ADL has come out quite openly, devoting practically all of its immense resources in money and manpower and organization, since the end of 1965, to a full scale attack on The John Birch Society. It has brought out three books directly about us: *Danger On The Right*, *Report On The John Birch Society 1966*, and *The Radical Right: Report On The John Birch Society and Its Allies*, which first appeared in March 1967. All three are brilliantly loaded with distortions, innuendoes, slick misinterpretations, twisted half truths and subtle falsehoods.

The authors of these books, Benjamin Epstein, National Director of the Anti-Defamation League, and Arnold Forster, its General Counsel, are almost as skillful at lying in effect, without telling a specific lie, as was the all-time world champion at that Communist art, the late Elmer Davis—the man who loaded our Office of War Information with Communists from top to bottom.

The ADL bosses have put out pamphlets, and press releases, and speeches, and radio programs against us in a veritable flood. Their viciously false film about the JBS has been promoted so fully and carefully through their immense organization that it was even given a public showing in Anchorage, Alaska, the very day I spoke there a few months ago. Forster and Epstein spend practically their whole time in public attacks on us, of one kind or another. And every field office of the ADL is under in-

structions to do everything they can to damage The John Birch Society, and to block our efforts in their respective areas. (Much to the disgust, we happen to know, of some of the actual members of their field staff.)

But now, in 1967, on top of all this massive and continuing attack, a powerful new enemy has appeared upon the scene, calling itself *The Institute for American Democracy*. Its press releases, even while it was being organized, made clear that its primary goal was the destruction of The John Birch Society. Some leading lights among about seventy "extreme Liberals" sponsoring this organization are Walter Reuther, Dore Schary, Dr. John C. Bennett, Francis Biddle, Senator Clifford P. Case, Oscar Ewing, Marion Folsom, Dr. Dana McLean Greeley, Leon H. Keyserling, Arthur Larson, Stanley Marcus, Senator Gale McGee, Senator Frank E. Moss, Bishop W. Kenneth Pope, Jacob Potofsky, Louis Untermeyer, Adlai E. Stevenson III, Dr. David R. Hunter, James Patton, and Roy Wilkins. And this listing alone will reveal to any knowledgeable anti-Communist how seriously the Left regards our opposition to its plans.

President of this IAD, as it is now generally known, is Dr. Franklin H. Littell, also President of Iowa Wesleyan College, with a pink record extending back over twenty years, who lies in print about even his own writings. The IAD maintains an office in Washington with a paid staff headed by one C. R. Baker. It issues press releases without end. It writes letters by the thousands to Congressmen, to our members and other Conservatives

whose names it can gather, and to its own so-called "grass roots committees." It now mails to subscribers a regular periodical newsletter of eight or more pages, 8 1/2 inches by 11 inches, called *Homefront*. It has just published a 32-page pamphlet, attractively printed on heavy paper in two colors, on "... the Massive John Birch Society Propaganda Effort To Fan The Flames Of Racial Tension." And there seems to be no limit to its activities, or to the money behind them.

Since our whole undertaking on the "civil rights" front, through our TACT Committees and otherwise, is to *reduce* racial tension and to show how it is deliberately created by Communists for Communist purposes, the last-named pamphlet is typical of the exact reversal of the truth which is the key to most of the IAD "literature" about us. In fact this basic Communist technique is the key to the whole massive campaign of the IAD, the ADL, and all of their Communist-inspired allies on the whole American scene, to undermine The John Birch Society. As we pointed out nine years ago in the notes that now comprise the Blue Book, at the very core of Communist strategy is the precept: "Always accuse your enemies of exactly what you yourself are doing." And the volume of abusive propaganda based on this strategy, which we must face in connection with our every word and deed, has increased exactly in proportion to the danger which we pose to the final plans of the Communist conspiracy.

B. The John Birch Society Attacks On The Communists.

Ortega y Gasset once wrote "... the eternal secret of warfare consists not so much in the methods of defense as in those of attack. . . ." We believe this to be equally true of the new kind of war in which we are engaged with the Communists. And so do they. This is why Joseph McCarthy was so dangerous to them. He did not merely stand and defend his country or himself against the Communists' lies and intrigues, but went after them aggressively with the one weapon they feared most, which was exposure.

We have tried to follow the same plan. Without having subpoena powers or any official authority, however, as did McCarthy, our exposures have depended on our ability to create a clear understanding of Communist methods and purposes. We mean it quite literally when we say that our whole strategy is education, and truth is our only weapon. But we wield that weapon by all honorable means, and on every front that we can. Please let us put in brief review, therefore, some of our educational activities.

We publish and distribute books and pamphlets by the millions of copies. Our magazine, *American Opinion*, is by far the most influential and authoritative Conservative monthly in America. The total impact of our films may be judged from the fact that there are over four hundred prints of our "civil rights" film, *Anarchy USA*, at work in the field, many of them being shown somewhere every night.

We produce and utilize film strips

and records and tape recordings. We also make wide use of books, pamphlets, films, film strips, records, and tape recordings which are produced by others. For help in the distribution of all of these materials we operate some four hundred bookstore units, usually under the name of American Opinion Libraries; and their number is now growing once again. We run an American Opinion Speakers Bureau which sponsors about two hundred anti-Communist speakers, some fifty of whom are continuously active. This number includes several very able and courageous Negro speakers, who have been extremely effective in revealing the Communist hands and purposes behind the "civil right" movement.

We expand our reach and influence by forming ad hoc committees, in which our members are joined by other good patriots who are not yet ready to become members of the Society. Among the most successful of our efforts in this field have been our *Support Your Local Police* committees, our TACT (Truth About Civil Turmoil) committees, and our TRAIN (To Restore American Independence Now) committees. Our hundreds of SYLP committees have been primarily responsible for exposing and blocking (so far) the Communist plot to discredit our local police forces and replace them with *federal* police.

Our fifty TACT Committees in the Greater Chicago area certainly were an important factor in causing the "civil rights" agitators to abandon that city as a major target for trouble, and turn instead on Detroit, where

we have practically no TACT Committees at all. And our TRAIN Committees, now springing up in hundreds of communities, are going to play a huge role (as just one of their many functions) in stopping aid by Washington to our Communist enemies. They are already helping us to flood Congress with our petitions for that purpose.

We have other ad hoc committees, but they are of less current significance. We have many other educational activities besides those so thinly outlined above, but they are less important. We already have extensive and well considered plans for the year ahead, but this is not the place to spell them out. Let's move on, instead, to the final segment of this realistic survey.

V. ON MEASURES TO MATCH THE NEED

The Communists, and the INSIDERS above them, play upon most human weaknesses and many human virtues. With great skill and long experience they attune their siren songs to the discernible combination of dominant characteristics in each person or group or population that they seek to influence or control. And they thus are able to weave, with patient gradualism, their threads of tyranny which eventually form a straightjacket over a vainly struggling people.

At any point in this process, until the woven pieces are all pulled together and fastened by brute force, a confused giant like the American body politic could break through all

the increasing and tightening reins of central power, arise and stand erect, and send these spider-like criminals scurrying frantically for shelter. It was done in Spain in the late 1930's, by Franco and the Spanish people, against far greater odds than we face, and after the process of Communist enslavement had gone much further than it has in the United States today. But Spain is the last country in which it *was* done, because thereafter the United States Government was always too powerful a factor *on the side of the Communists*.

But the Communists are now closing in on our own people, with ever more speed and brazenness, towards the point of no return for freedom or even for opposition. And they are confident that the resistance of the American people will be *too little*, because their awakening will be *too late*. This is the problem that The John Birch Society has faced since it was founded. And the fate of our country now depends on whether or not the problem can be solved in time.

For any lifelong student of history who has the courage to face the facts with realistic common sense, there is no great difficulty in discovering and disclosing, at least in broad but sure outline, the background, the purposes, the methods, and the menace of the Communist conspiracy. We have been *right* time after time, far in advance of any belated admissions by government or press—about Sukarno, about Castro, about de Gaulle, about the extremely rapid advance of Communism in this country and abroad during the Eisenhower Ad-

ministration, about what was behind the "civil rights" movement, about the real purposes of our involvement in Vietnam, and about the organized, carefully plotted, *breaking down* of religion, of morality, of tradition, and of every sound sense of values, which is going on *all* around us. We are still right about the dangerous prospects for the now immediate future.

This is one major reason why the Communists and their dupes and allies have moved heaven and earth, and are working even harder today, to keep us from being heard. The Communists have relied heavily on the fact that the fundamentally decent American mind would simply refuse to grasp that any human beings—especially those in high positions—could become so vile, cunning, and cruel as the Communists really are. And the Communists' greatest asset in their gigantic game of deception is the enormity of the comprehensive *Big Lie*, about the very existence of their conspiracy, of which all their lesser lies are but a part.

However, there are now two new factors on the scene. One is that every advance the Communists register henceforth is bound to make their program more obvious by its very success. Cuba should have shocked the United States out of its lethargy, and so should have Watts. But it has taken time to arouse a sleeping citizenry to the fact that alarms are ringing. And the alarms are growing louder. So much burning and killing and destruction in Detroit undoubtedly served Communist purposes very well. But they also served to awaken more people to the con-

spiratorial planning, methods, and organization which were behind this holocaust. And the same will be true of every step the Communists take between now and the time when they are either victorious or routed.

The second factor is that, to the utter amazement of our enemies, The John Birch Society is still very much alive, as a rallying point for anti-Communist strength, despite all that the Communists have done since the fall of 1960 to try to kill it. Our mere survival represents a victory of major proportions, which the Communists themselves can hardly believe. And the fact that we have maintained our size and staff and steam since the spring of 1966, in the face of the forces set at work to undermine us, has far more significance than a mere psychological victory. More important is that we still have the base, on which to mount and from which to manage such a campaign of education and awakening as the Communists have never faced before in any country they have taken over. This is exactly what we intend to do, and is the reason for this bulletin.

A. Our First Need Is Reenforcements.

In plain language, we need more and more new members. This is what the Communists have tried hardest to prevent. And since we never pretend about anything, let's admit without hesitation that their campaign has had some degree of success. Because they recognized the importance of our numerical strength, the Communists and their dupes and allies have exerted all the nefarious

pressures in their extensive repertory, during the past eighteen months, to get our present members to drop out, and to discourage new ones from joining. With the result that we have had very little *net* growth in our membership rolls since the spring of 1966.

It should be understood at once that our influence and effectiveness have increased a great deal since that time, mainly through the formation and impact of ad hoc committees. We had no intention of marking time just because our enemies had thrown so many roadblocks in the way of our membership drives. So we turned primarily to two means of multiplying the reach of our educational work itself. One was through the establishment of Study Clubs. The other was through enlarging the number, size, and dedication of our ad hoc committees.

The first method, despite a lot of work on our part, was not highly successful. We are proud of the "continuous study clubs" we do have. But we talked about a few thousand and have wound up so far with only a few score. The activation of ad hoc committees, on the other hand, has exceeded even our expectations. In some instances large and highly effective committees have been formed, and are functioning very successfully, with Birchers numbering only five percent of the enrollment. Such a twenty-to-one magnification is unusual. But it seems almost certain, nevertheless, that we now have more non-Birchers altogether, hard at work in all of our ad hoc committees, than there are members in The John Birch

Society. And these committees constitute a powerful force.

Allies and collaborators, however, still fall far short of being members of the family. We still need recruits. And despite all that the Comsymps can do, we feel that a new day is dawning. Perseverance against all obstacles is about to pay off again. For one thing, where else can a newly awakened patriot turn, if he wants to make his efforts and his sacrifices count the most? There are, of course, other sincere and earnest anti-Communist groups on the scene, whose collaboration we appreciate, whose good will we value, and whose labors (and courage) we admire. But there simply is no other anti-Communist force in America (or anywhere else in the world, for that matter), with an organized nationwide educational army, with a fully paid and experienced field staff to guide that army, with a program which exposes Communist propaganda and Communist action by so many means on so many fronts, with an organizational structure that cannot be shaken, with a sense of direction that never wavers, or with a basic membership strength which even approaches that of The John Birch Society.

To our present members, therefore, for whom this capsule review is primarily written, we say: "Every time the Student *Non-Violent* Coordinating Committee, and the ever so *non-violent* M. L. King, incite in another city such arson and pillage and murder and other forms of "non-violence" as occurred this summer in Newark and Detroit, some friend or acquaintance of yours has thereby been made

more ready to join The John Birch Society. Every time the death of more American boys in Vietnam is reported in the same newspaper which carries the news of 'a unique American scientific instrument, concededly of vital military value in missile warfare,' being approved by our Commerce Department for export to Communist Poland, your recruiting job has been made easier. And while opportunity still shows up disguised as hard work, it is knocking louder these days and is more easily recognized."

But we hope in due course to have many copies of this bulletin scattered far and wide. So we are also addressing our appeal to all patriotic citizens whom we can reach. We even pause for a friendly word to those who salve their consciences by saying "I can accomplish more on the outside." To which we reply, in the blunt phrase once used by Wilson Mizner: "For God's sake, how?" And we mean no blasphemy, but a straightforward question. Also, we remind them that we have never known one single person who, having stalled behind that excuse or stood on that sincere belief for years, and having then finally come into the Society, did not regretfully admit later: "How wrong I was!"

Our great concern in *these* paragraphs, however, is that vast body of newly awakening American patriots who would like to get into the fight to save their country, who are beginning to realize that The John Birch Society offers the most effective way of doing so, but who are deterred by the pressures against membership

which have been built up by the Communists. To these good people we say: "Of course. That's what the Communists are counting on. But *this is it!* So think of the alternative. Facing the arrogance of ignorance at your country club, or the frown of some half-baked 'Liberal' at your place of employment, is a small price to pay for doing your part to keep both the Liberals and yourselves out of concentration camps."

Let us add the solemn thought that no worthwhile struggle was ever won without sacrifice, and this struggle is probably the most worthwhile and the most important in all human history. And finally let us remind each of you that, while we all like to have fellow workers and fellow fighters in any enterprise, *courage comes by one and one, and not by two and two!* The extent of your own real courage is something only you can decide.

For those who wish first to learn more about the conspiracy, about the main lines of its progress, about the imminence and horror of the clear and present danger, or about The John Birch Society itself, we have listed on Page 29 of this bulletin a few of the most useful books and pamphlets. But for those, knowing that time is short, who would like to come on in and begin doing their part in this mighty struggle without further delay, we have also converted one of the last pages into an application blank. Simply fill it out and mail it to us with your check for a year's dues.

This will not make you a member until the application has been ap-

proved by our staff or our leadership in your community — and your dues will of course be returned if you are not accepted. But it will show that you mean business, so that this checking and processing can be carried out promptly. Neither your race, creed, color, social standing, or economic level serves as a criterion for admission. If you are a patriotic American, of good character, humane conscience, and religious ideals, we shall welcome you into what is truly the finest body of men and women in the world. And you will be doing your part to save for our children and their children the glorious country of freedom and opportunity which we ourselves inherited.

B. Our Second Need Is Money. But We Need It First!

Napoleon once said that an army travels on its stomach. No matter how loyal or willing, without supplies it couldn't move. Our educational army travels on its pocket book. No matter how determined our members in the field, without the money at headquarters to pay our printing bills and meet our payrolls, the whole operation would soon fall to pieces. And our progress depends very heavily on the amount of money available to finance it.

It was a year ago that we sent out our last general appeal to our members. We asked for substantial additional help, over and above the regular flow of dues and monthly contributions. The response was very generous, and deeply appreciated. We were also able to obtain, from time to time during the year, some further

sizeable help from a few dedicated friends. Altogether — though it has not been easy — we found the means to maintain our organization and activities at the level we had established, despite all the efforts by powerful enemies to break us down. And our visible accomplishments during the past twelve months, in exposing and opposing the Communists' plans, have been the greatest in our history.

But we make no pretense that we were able to carry out all of those aggressive new steps forward which we had planned. Many of them are still desperately needed. In fact they simply must be made if we are going to create a climate in which enough honest-to-goodness anti-Communists can be elected in 1968. Things are moving fast, and so must we—or all of the truly Conservative candidates of either party will bat their brains out against the walls of apathy, opportunism, and ignorance.

Do you know any other nationwide body of men and women in America, except The John Birch Society, with any slightest practicable chance of creating the necessary understanding and inspiring the ceaseless work called for by the present circumstances? We do not, or we would join them. Ours is the task of arousing the American people by the plain hard work of informing them. We talk big, not because we *are* big, but because we mean business. And we must become considerably bigger than we are, fast, if this whole fight with the Communists is not to be lost largely by default. *This is it!* Both the crisis and the opportunity are *here*, and *now*. And we are ask-

ing for support in line with realities.

What we are doing is all right. In fact it is tellingly effective, or the opposition would not be going after us with heavier and heavier artillery. What we need to do is simply so much more of it. At present we have a field staff of about seventy Coordinators. We have by no means abandoned our ultimate goal of approximately four hundred Coordinators in the United States. Right now, however, we are more immediately concerned with our desperate and specific need for some thirty additional Coordinators to fill in some holes and round out our present tenuous coverage. But we cannot hire boys for these jobs. With salary and traveling expenses and equipment, we face an initial investment of some twenty thousand dollars each before these men have any chance of earning their own way. We could build an education-information service to the needed huge size on a self-sustaining basis, if there were time enough to build it slowly. But as a crash program, to win a war against the entrenched power of the Communists, it can't be done.

Some of the most determined anti-Communist patriots in America are among the foreign language groups. (We even have the man all picked to work with the Chinese colonies in Los Angeles and San Francisco for instance, but we can't afford to hire him.) One Coordinator each among a great many of these groups would rally a lot of additional and dedicated strength to our cause. Half a dozen Negro Coordinators in our southern states right now, to form all-Negro

chapters of the Society, would find a warm welcome among the literally millions of our patriotic Negro citizens, and gain thousands of actual members among the ablest and best informed. And the need for JBS Coordinators on our college campuses has long been recognized, but we simply do not have the money to put them there.

We have about a thousand TACT Committees in the United States. We need about four thousand. Just imagine the effect if we had the same TACT Committee strength and influence *everywhere* in the United States that we now have, for instance, in Greater Chicago, or in some parts of the huge network which Bob Leaman has organized in our West Coast states. We have several hundred TRAIN Committees, many of which are just becoming established. We need several thousand. We need, and could form, many thousands of other ad hoc committees to expand our total effort. But it takes money to set up and guide these committees, and there is very little direct revenue return from them which can be either asked or expected.

Right while this is being written we have an opportunity to place a million of our Vietnam Petitions (To Stop Aid To Our Communist Enemies) in the hands of half a million individuals, by first class mail, at no cost to ourselves except the printing of the petitions. But that would be at least ten thousand dollars on top of all of our other current expenses. The similar opportunities which arise for us to expand our reach—but *not* on a cost paid basis—are many and

frequent. The few we can seize are of course limited by the money we can spare for that purpose.

We could fill many pages with similar illustrations, but it seems unnecessary to belabor the point further. The fact is that, whether you believe it or not—and our enemies do believe it—this is now becoming, to a surprising extent, a contest between The John Birch Society, with the allies we can rally around us, and the Communists, with the dupes they can control.

Unless we can win, none of your money or your property is going to be worth any more to you in a very short time than the two homes, costing a hundred thousand dollars and eighty thousand dollars respectively, owned by a Cuban friend of ours as late as 1959, are worth to him today. The money you have in bonds or in the savings bank is going to lose most of its value even before the Communists take it away from you.

But let's not treat the American dollar as if it were going out of style. Let's assume, by all means, that we *are* going to win. And preserve the value of your property and your money. That is a huge part of what we are fighting to accomplish. Then we still say you had better give us enough to enable us to accomplish it.

George Putnam of Los Angeles recently listed me by name, on two of his broadcasts, as among the "people who have traveled and lectured and written books warning of an international conspiracy — and have, incidentally, made vast sums of money

in so doing . . ." George is seeing rainbows upside down, and he's not the only one. In the eleven years since I gave up an excellent business position, with a great deal of promise for the future, to put my whole life into the anti-Communist fight, I have never even drawn any salary from either *American Opinion* (or the small general publishing business into which it has grown), or from The John Birch Society.

If George Putnam wants to know how I eat—and feed a beautiful wife—the answer is, it isn't easy. I do draw royalties or a small profit from *some* of the books I have written. (I have never dreamed of drawing any royalty on the *Blue Book*, for instance, nor any pay for any of the articles I have written for *American Opinion*.) I receive comparatively modest fees for *some* of my speeches. And I make up the difference out of savings.

But the chief reason for bringing so many "eyes" into this distressing subject is a more important point. It is that even under these conditions I have, on various occasions and for various needs during those last eleven years, put at least half of what little I owned into the work of The John Birch Society or its publishing affiliates. Which has completely ruined my scruples and shipwrecked my conscience about asking for help from others. For I can't keep a vision from floating before my eyes — that if everybody to whom we address this appeal, and who is in sympathy with our efforts, would put even ten percent of their net worth into the same cause, our victory would be certain.

We are not asking so much (although some truly dedicated members have gone even further). But we *are* asking that those who sincerely believe in what we are doing face up to the horror ahead, and give us realistic support to prevent it. The *Continuing Support Club* application which is printed as a page in this bulletin may be cut out and used by member or non-member alike. And we pray that it will be.

Of the wealthy or the well-to-do recipients of this appeal we are asking something else. Regardless of how much money you may have sent us in the past, or may ever send us in the future, we are asking you to send us *now* an additional or interim check for one thousand dollars. And that you *then* give solemn thought to what might well turn out to be the most important "investment" of your lives. Checks should be made out to The John Birch Society, or Escrow Account No. 78, or *American Opinion*, and mailed to Mr. Robert Welch, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178.

We shall certainly use every dollar received to the very best advantage we can determine for the cause to which many of us are now really giving the whole of our lives. And we repeat, with all the earnestness we can convey

THIS IS IT !

Sincerely,

Robert Welch

WHICH DO YOU CHOOSE?

We cannot give you here the full basis for that choice. But let's put down a few point-by-point comparisons of the Society with its Communist enemies.

(1) The Communists seek unlimited power for themselves, over the whole human race. The John Birch Society does not want any power at all over anybody, either now or in the future. Agreeing with Lord Acton that "power tends to corrupt; absolute power corrupts absolutely," the Society seeks to make progress towards its goals only by education and persuasion.

(2) The Communists believe that any means may be used to attain their ends. The Society believes that improper means are never justified by even the noblest of aims, and that means are as important as ends in any worthwhile civilization.

(3) The Communists always accuse their enemies -- such as The John Birch Society -- of exactly those crimes which the Communists themselves are committing. We do not bear false witness against anybody, about anything.

(4) The Communists believe that words should be used to conceal thoughts, and that promises are made to be broken. The John Birch Society believes that simple truth is the very core of morality; and that when we can persuade enough people to make truth the prerequisite of all statements and the accepted guide to all actions, at least half of the world's problems will rapidly disappear.

(5) The Communists operate in secrecy and darkness.

We follow the preponderant custom, among all American voluntary associations, of not publishing the list of our members. With that exception, The John Birch Society has absolutely no secrets of any kind.

(6) The Communists seek to break down all morality, all tradition, and to destroy the whole spiritual and esthetic sense of values which we have inherited. The Society believes that a reverent continuity in human affairs is of extreme importance; and that even the most desirable change should be made cautiously, in order to be sure that it constitutes improvement.

(7) The Communists believe that man is just a material combination of atoms, with no other purpose than satisfaction of the desires of the physical entity thus assembled. The John Birch Society believes that a Divine Creator has endowed man with a purpose and an upward reach which are far superior to, and frequently prompt a willing sacrifice of, the desires and needs of the individual himself.

(8) The Communists -- Lenin, Lunacharsky, and many others -- openly preach that "men must learn to hate," and that only through spreading sufficient hatred can the Communists succeed in ruling the world. The John Birch Society hates nobody, not even the Communists, but only the evil which they do. The Society believes that love for one's neighbor and good will towards all men should be a fundamental motivation in all human relationships.

We have summarized the differences between the Communist program and our own in the following paragraph:

"We must oppose secrecy with openhandedness. We must publish to the world our beliefs, our purposes, and

our methods, as fully as the collectivists conceal and disguise their own. We must oppose conspiracy not with counter-conspiracy, but with exposure, justice, and education. We must oppose falsehoods with truth, blasphemy with reverence, foul means with good means, immorality and amorality with more spiritual faith and dedication, rootlessness and chaos with tradition and stability, relativity with absolutes, pragmatism with deeper purposes, hedonism with a more responsible pursuit of happiness, cruelty with compassion, and hatred with love...."

The Communists pretend to believe, and some of them undoubtedly do believe, that Communism is the wave of the future. We believe instead that the whole world is now tired of so much strife and bestiality, treason and immorality, cruelty and confusion, blasphemy and destructiveness, bitterness and fear, doubt and despair that always go hand in hand with Communism. We believe that mankind may be about ready to arise, shake off this Communist tyranny and terror, and move forward again towards a more enlightened and humane existence. We are doing everything in our power, by all honorable means, to create the understanding that will produce this result.

If you have what it takes, in character and in courage, then by all means join us now in our epic undertaking. With the added effort of people like yourself, and with God's help -- when and because we have deserved it -- we shall break up this immense criminal conspiracy, and return a world gone crazy to sanity once again.

The extracts above are from the final pages of the thin pamphlet, What Is The John Birch Society? Single copies of that pamphlet are available by mail, at twenty-five cents each, from American Opinion, Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

THE CONTINUING SUPPORT CLUBS
of
The John Birch Society

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Robert Welch, Founder
The John Birch Society
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

Dear Mr. Welch:

To help you plan the activities of the Society more effectively, I am joining the Continuing Support Club indicated below. My initial contribution of _____ is enclosed, and I shall send a similar amount indefinitely each month, until such time as I give you sixty days notice to the contrary. I should appreciate it if your monthly acknowledgment of my contribution would also notify me of the date my next payment is due.

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In recognition of this pledge, I shall be glad to receive a club membership certificate.

Sincerely,

Cut along this line

Application For Membership

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THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY
Belmont, Massachusetts 02178

Gentlemen:

This is my application for membership, for one year from this date, and for automatic renewal each year thereafter, unless I resign in writing.

My check for a year's dues (for men, \$24.00 each; for women, \$12.00 each) is enclosed. I would prefer to remain a member of the Home Chapter ☐. I should like to be assigned to a local Chapter as soon as is practicable ☐.
[Please check preference.]

If my application is accepted, I agree that my membership may be revoked at any time, by a duly appointed officer of the Society, without the reason being stated, on refund of the pro rata part of my dues paid in advance.

Sincerely,

Date _____

Application Approved

Dues Received _____

By _____

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A SELECT READING LIST
For Background To The Contents Of This Pamphlet

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<u>Fabian Freeway</u> , Martin	\$6.95
<u>The Death Of James Forrestal</u> , Simpson	5.95
<u>The New Americanism</u> , Welch	4.95
<u>The Invisible Government</u> , Smoot	1.00
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<u>The Truth In Time</u> , Welch, a pamphlet	4/1.00

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<u>The Life Of John Birch</u> , Welch	1.00
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<u>The Fearful Master</u> , Griffin (On the United Nations)	1.00
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<u>And Not A Shot Is Fired</u> , Kozak	1.00
<u>The Politician</u> , Welch	1.00
<u>Collectivism In The Churches</u> , Bundy	2.00
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"But on one man's soul it hath broken,
A light that doth not depart;
And his look, or a word he hath spoken
Wrought flame in another man's heart."

3211 Fifth Avenue
Post Office Box 3636
San Diego, California 92103
November 19, 1969

[REDACTED]
San Diego, California 92102

Dear [REDACTED]

This is to acknowledge your letter of November 17, 1969, which included the enclosure, "This Is It!"

I appreciate your interest in taking time to bring this matter to my attention.

Sincerely yours,

B.

ROBERT W. EVANS
Special Agent in Charge

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- 1 - San Diego (100-12079)

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SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE
Federal Bureau of Investigation
P. O. Box 3636,
San Diego, Calif. 92103

Dear Sir:

Perhaps you haven't read the enclosed booklet "THIS IS IT"! It has informed and alarmed me!

Will you, please, pass it on to the proper authority where you think it will do some good? I am trying to do my part in preventing the Communists from taking over our country!

Yours truly, [REDACTED]
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SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

Our next meeting is scheduled for 3:00 pm on Sunday, July 19 at the Officer's Mess of the Marine Corps Recruit Depot. The featured speaker will be Commander Walter H. Kosky USN (ret). His topic will be, "China Today and What We May Expect of China." Commander Kosky was a flier in World War II and later transferred to the Supply Corps of the Navy. He is a graduate of San Diego State and has extensive knowledge of the Orient. He is currently teaching in High School, and was publicly commended by his pupils who sent a letter to the Evening Tribune praising his abilities. In these days of disrespect for, and antagonism to, elders, words of praise from the young is a rare commendation indeed.

As usual, we extend an invitation to the families of members, their guests, prospective members, DAR members and their guests, and those who wish to know more about us. After the meeting the famous Sunday buffet of the Mess will be available at nominal cost for all those wishing to remain for supper.

At our meeting of June 21 Compatriot Cyril Davis, Treasurer, reported a \$281 balance in our account, and that the funds from the old La Jolla Chapter have been placed in a separate account in a Savings and Loan Association. Compatriot Gen. Good, Awards Chairman, reported giving the SAR ROTC medal to an outstanding student at each of four high schools (see June Bulletin for names of schools), and on May 23 he attended a dinner at Miramar NAS for 29 new Air Force Officers from San Diego State. At that time he presented the ROTC medal to an outstanding AFROTC cadet from State. He also presented the DAR award since the dinner was limited to males! He made the suggestion that we make an award at a small Christian school starting next year. Compatriot Good then made the SAR Good Citizenship awards to Kenneth Holmes and William Pierson. Mr. Pierson was unable to attend so the award was accepted by his parents. Compatriot Adm. John Foster discussed the arrangements for the Fourth of July parade at Coronado. Compatriot Col. Glenn Epperson, Americanism Chairman, submitted the resolution on the Genocide Treaty. Sentiment against the treaty was so strong that the words, "in any form whatsoever" were added before it was passed. Copies of the resolution have been forwarded to State and National offices.

Our featured speaker, Mr. Frank Price, discussed "Campus Marxist Students". He pointed out examples of the Old Left and the New Left (all Communist controlled, of course) and how they systematically proceed to take over a campus, and are even threatening our High Schools today. Using the Students for a Democratic Society as an example (note how the Left always works in the idea of a democracy) he traced their activities on many campuses, naming many of the participants. This is part of an overall organized conspiracy that is duping many innocent but brainwashed students (even the professors get into the act, both overtly and covertly) to do their dirty work.

The Americanism Committee of the South Carolina Society issues a most informative monthly bulletin exposing the communist conspiracy and the ills in our federal government. Our Thought for the Month will consist of some samples from their July bulletin.

No statement—just a question—but if this question does not terrify you, please send in your name for one special Bravery Award: Question: "Does it disturb you that PRESIDENT NIXON has asked the Rand Corporation for a report on what the POLITICAL EFFECT would be IF NO NATIONAL ELECTION WERE HELD IN 1972?"

The American people are daily becoming more aware that the news media is being used as a weapon of psychological warfare against them. Question: Why can't you read in your newspaper the kind of documented information you have read here? What's behind this?

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LA JOLLA, CALIFORNIA 92037

JULY 21, 1970.

THE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION,
3211 FIFTH
SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA.

GENTLEMEN :

I DIRECT YOUR ATTENTION TO THE NEXT-TO-LAST MARKED
100-12079* PARAGRAPH IN THE ENCLOSURE. [REDACTED] IS AN AVOWED MEMBER
OF THE JOHN BIRCH SOCIETY, WHICH I CONSIDER A BUNCH OF
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I CAN DO IS STATE THAT I RECEIVED IT IN THE U.S.MAIL.

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3211 Fifth Avenue
Post Office Box 3636
San Diego, California 92103
July 22, 1970


[Redacted]
La Jolla, California 92037

Dear [Redacted]

Thank you for your letter of July 21, 1970.
I appreciate your taking time to bring this matter to my
attention.

Your letter, along with the enclosure, is being
made a matter of record in this office.

Sincerely yours,


ROBERT W. EVANS
Special Agent in Charge

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I learned this afternoon from Message Information Center that an unidentified group of individuals in the San Diego area is preparing for a large scale anti-Vietnam war demonstration tomorrow during the festivities surrounding the visit and State dinner of Presidents NIXON and ORDAZ. Apparently this demonstration is separate and apart from the previously announced "Yippie Dope-In" at Coronado, California, tomorrow.

According to MIC plans for the demonstration call for participants to gather in the Hotel Del Coronado parking lot for a rally and march beginning at 9:00 A.M.

I have also learned that a large number of right wing oriented individuals mostly older female members of the John Birch Society will also be present in Coronado tomorrow to carry signs and protest against left wing groups.

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INFORMATION CONCERNING

On 3/6/73, [REDACTED]
La Jolla, California, Post Office Box [REDACTED] telephone [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] telephonically advised SA [REDACTED] that
as part of a student research project he is utilizing what
is known as the "Lost Letter Technique" in which he strategically
places letter in various places around the city to give the
finders of the letters the impression that the letters have
been misdirected. In this manner he is able to survey
feelings toward and against certain groups. The letters
which [REDACTED] has left around town are addressed to DONALD CARROLL
of the John Birch Society and JOHN RANDOLPH of the "Friends of
the Communist Party". Both CARROLL and RANDOLPH are fictitious
names created by [REDACTED]. Sent to their proper destination these
letters would be returned to [REDACTED] Post Office box.

[REDACTED] furnished the above information to alert the
FBI and to avoid the opening of cases on RANDOLPH and CARROLL
and further investigation concerning the John Birch Society
or Friends of the Communist Party.

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1-157-4805 (Know Your Rights)
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Report by [redacted]
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William Arron Hoover, known to friends as Bill. Bill has grey hair, balding. Blue eyes and very bushy white eyebrows. Age would be over 70, ^{Bill is} and in good condition. Height about 6', wieght about 185.

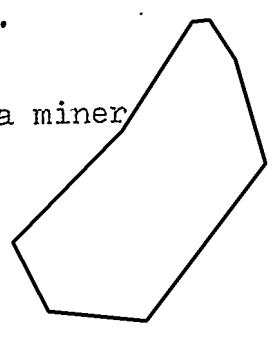
Bill lives in Lakeside, Calif. You go to El Monte Park, when you come to the last gate of the park you turn left. There is a dirt road and bobwire ^[redacted] fence. Your drive across a river bed and come to another wire fence.

(The dirt road is straight to provide perfect viewing from ^[redacted] the house) Driving on ^[redacted] you come to a white wooden fence with paddlock. On the gate is the Bill of Rights.

At this wooden fence you must wait until you are let in by Bill. There are approx. 10 large dogs barking when you are at the gate. The dogs are staked out of long chains all around the place. One smaller dog runs lose and bites, if behind you. She will not if you keep her in front and call ^[redacted] his bluff. He warns his friends to do so.

Bill's reason for this type of protection is simply to keep ^{any} ^[redacted] but his friends ^[redacted] out. He will let only a few past the wooden paddlocked gate. Bill especially means it for government agents, IRS agents. He dislikes Catholics and Masonry. He is not fond of Jews and does not beleaves ^[redacted] the Bible gives a true description of who they really are.

It was said Bill has 99 acres of mining land. He is a miner and does construction work.



Bill is a member of the John Birch Society, Know Your Rights, American's for Const. Justice and Natl. Assn to Keep and Bear Arms. (NAKBA) at ^{the} Heartland Arm in El Cajon (meets 2nd Fri. of each month at Wells Park on Madison) He publishes each month "The Bulletin of NAKBA, Heartland Arm, p.o. Box 360, El Cajon, Calif.

Bill claims many weapons and knows well how to use them.

[redacted] lives in a trailer on his ranch.

Bill beleaves strongly in Atlantis and Mu and beleaves to that the teachings in the old testament of the Bible are largely false. He claims to do heavy research in most political and philospical fields. Bill is very alert and seems quite intelligent.

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22 in attendance

Those known: [redacted]

[redacted]

[redacted] was the Master of Ceremonies in the absence of [redacted] who was speaking in Georgia. *Atlanta*

[redacted] opening statement was, "The Govt. is doing bad to us. They are taking away our rights. We must herd the government back into its place."

[redacted] talked about the tug of war over the sheriff losing control of the county jail and felt his petitions helped.

[redacted] spoke about the possibility of the traffic courts being moved to the Dept. of Motor Vehicles to take the burden off the courts. He feels this is another loss of our rights.

There was talk of the 55 mile apeed limit being an act of Congress and highly disapproved off because they feel the state should control the speed.

[redacted] spoke on How to Defend yourself in traffic court and wants people to buy book "How To Defend Yourself in Traffic Court" Calif. Ed

[redacted]
Ben Lomond, Ca. 95005



[redacted] angrily stated, "The Govt. assumed too much authority. They have no right to steal our grain, etc to give to another country, we must herd them back in."

[redacted] was down and spoke. He calls himself the Pope of the Universal of Life Church Inc. He says there are 3 and a half million ordained ministers of the Church of the Commandments. Anyone can join even if they are not religious. [redacted] said, "We do not pay taxes, our no. is 94-1500059. We can collect the past taxes we paid by claiming we were long ago ministers." His reason for this was, Ohio was admitted post-facto into the union 150 years later. We have been ministers post-facto. Equal protection under the law. He says 1820 was when the church was formed.

[redacted] said, "to be a member of society we pay no dues, attend no meetings, no nothing, we are just members. Therefore as a member we don't pay taxes and should not be forced to do so." He further added, "We take a vow of poverty, give all money we get to the church. We are the pastor of our own churches and we act as agents of our own churches, we therefore have a Taxfree Foundation. You should file a quick claim deed on all your properties to your own churches."

"This is the law regarding churches so let's use it." Furthermore, you avoid inheritance tax because your children are ministers to." ~~"This is the law regarding churches so let's use it"~~ [redacted] "The only thing IRS can do is throw everybody back on the tax roles. and doesn't it lessen the work of IRS and the Govt. if we don't pay taxes," said [redacted]

[redacted] story on the [redacted] incident was: [redacted] and his group of Possee members were on the property where they were asked to be. The sheriff came and had a gun pointed at [redacted] and the possee. The Possee was under orders not to fire first. The sheriff tried to shoot [redacted] They struggled over the rifle and the sheriff actually pulled the trigger, [redacted] says he has a picture of this for evidence. [redacted]

[redacted] told [redacted] and [redacted] that [redacted] and [redacted] are phonies and people shouldn't attend their legal seminars.

[redacted] reported on a return letter he had recieved from the John Birch Society. The Birch Society has come out strong against the Possee Comitatus and tax rebels. The people were angry about this so [redacted] had written the Birch Society to verify the fact they were opposed. He read his letter to the group. The letter was very much opposed, and gave its reasons.

[redacted] is a young man of about 21, [redacted], 180, blond hair, wavy and longish. He lives in [redacted] and believed a member of San Diego's Possee Comitatus.

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